

BEFORE THE SKAGIT COUNTY HEARING EXAMINER

FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATION

Applicants: Sabra Noyes
41 Ames Lane
Oakville, WA 98568

Karan Noyes Dawson
1934 East Miller
Seattle, WA98112

File No: C/U Timber #02-2010

Request: To include 29.46 acres in the Current Use Timber Program

Location: Josh Wilson Road, Lots 1, 2, 3 of Short Plat PL 10-0151, within SE1/4SW1/4 Sec. 27, T35N, R3E. W.M.

Assessor's No: P34874

Public Hearing: After reviewing the report of the Assessor's Office, the Hearing Examiner conducted a public hearing on July 28, 2010.

Recommendation: Approval

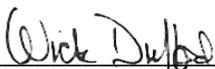
FINDINGS

1. Sabra Noyes and Karan Noyes Dawson seek to include 29.46 acres of land in the Current Use Timber Program. The applicants own the property.
2. The property is located on Josh Wilson Road, being lots 1, 2, 3 of Short Plat PL10-0151, within SE1/4SW1/4 Sec. 27, T35N, R3E, W.M.
3. The owners intend to retain the integrity of the property through maintaining a stand of trees for wildlife habitat, watershed management, recreational activities, and eventually, timber harvest.
4. The property supports stands of native hardwoods and Western Red Cedar. A small stand of the cedars is mature and can be harvested at any time. However, the majority of the timber should not be harvested until after the year 2040.
5. A Timber Management Plan was prepared and reviewed. The Plan appears to comply with RCW 84.34.020 and RCW 84.34.041.
6. The Staff Report and Exhibits submitted by the Assessor's Office are incorporated herein.
7. The hearing was held upon due notice. There were no written comments.
9. The Examiner finds that the property meets the definition of the classification sought.
10. The Staff recommends approval. The Examiner concurs with Staff.

RECOMMENDATION

The Examiner recommends approval of the application subject to the following condition:

At the time of harvesting the applicant shall comply with the requirements of the Department of Natural Resources in regard to the harvesting of timber.



Wick Dufford, Hearing Examiner

Date: August 2, 2010

Copies transmitted to Applicant: August 2, 2010